

Park St. Bristol Sep. 24 - 1852.

Dear Mr. Miss Weston,

We are in that state of perpetual bustle which you can so fully sympathize in, attending the exhibits of the Bazaar collection &c. &c. & I must only steal a few minutes from the work of indoctrinating its inspectors to write you a line with the accompanying forms. I am unwilling to delay them as you may be impatient to have all the materials for the Bell. I hope you may find it practicable to push in the Chapman's contributions, for the sake of keeping him up to work, which he is inclined to be just now. How very business like it is of me to begin my note with these minutiae instead of with giving expressions to the good imagination ^{words} - hopes which have been coming about you from each number of our Park St. circle. I will ask Ansty to do justice to this branch of the communication for I am too much hurried, too prosaic, & yet more too full of it, to enter upon it. How often we have recapitulated the exciting ~~per~~formances that marked what Mr Webb styles your "escape from London". We really congratulated each other ~~about~~ on having all our energies kept on the stretch to enable us each to act our complicated parts in the comedy, instead of having any time to dwell on the fact of our separation from you. Such marches & counter-marches, hurrying to & fro, signals concerted & unconcerted, speeches & silences, &c. &c. were rarely ~~interposed~~ so rapidly with such perfect success. But this is gone the still "memory dear" must not usurp my precious space & time. Com-

gratulate your sister & every one of your relatives,
tell your acquaintances from me on hopes you
amongst them again. I have a lively participation
in their joy. It will be the greatest satisfaction
to hear of your arrival, & how you bore the voyage.
I did so long to be with you to nurse you thro' it,
have had many misgivings lest your constant
overtoils & deficient hours of sleep should have
proved a very unfavorable preparation for the
inevitable miseries. We want too to hear how you
& your fellow passengers - the Rev Jos. Benson included
got on together. My Father has been troubled in
mind lest your safety sh^d be endangered by the
presence of that worthy, thinking some signal
vengeance might be wreaked upon him; but we
hope you wd be such a guardian angel as to ward
any threatened calamity from the vessel. There is
significant movements taking place here in
conjunction with him this ~~master~~ ^{St. Scoble} ~~at~~
time will develop & have my recommendation ^{imperfectly} at present.
We are getting on prosperously for a season. The
proof of the "Advocate" has actually passed ~~into~~
our hands. Our heads & our pens are actively
engaged in planning for its advantageous disposal.
Our peculiar ground of self-gratulation however
is in the success of our reports & other documents mat-
erially aided by the impartial testimony of Edw. Matthews
in breaking up an old Scobleized, Stuartian & Sturge
Richardsonised Committee at Bath, the working
well disposed part of which have actually come
petitionary to unite with us in our various ^{various} ^{infringe}
heretical & proceedings. ^{When told of your going to Bristol last year they} They are sick of doing nothing
& of being told about people's creeds or no creeds when
they want to help the slave. W^m Richardson has

been writing them stories of "bleeding hearts in
Glasgow" caused by the Liberator having made
so many "perverts to infidelity"; but this is too
much for some of the Bath ladies altho' they
are of the most ultra evangelical school. They
think people must be such fools to learn
their religion out of a newspaper that it matters
little what they take up with. Their ^{people} are
all intimate friends of Capt. Stuart who has com-
plimented them as "the faithful sisters of Bath"
& contrasted them with "the unfaithful sisters of
Bristol"; & Scoble has always ranted on Mr. Blain
the Father & Husband of two of these Bath sisters
as his chief anchor. As we consider their con-
version a great triumph. They invited Miss Pugh
themselves to go & reach their Committee, who did,
accompanied by Mr. Tribe, & after the business
was spent the day with an intelligent & quaker
family & did great execution. Mr. Tribe always
knows how to put in a word in season & Miss
Pugh has a way of inspiring everybody with con-
fidence, & imparting a vast deal of information
in a small compass. The Bath quakers kept
her with them two days, & from her account
she had full work all the time in enlightening
them. They are delighted with her & she is to go
to see them again if practicable. We don't feel able
to dispense with her at present; she is such an
invaluable auxiliary, apart from her personal
attractions we have laid an embargo upon her. But
we are in great hopes of persuading her to spend the
winter with us. She has invitations to Leeds, &
Liverpool. Altogether there is a most

useful winter campaign marked out for her
I think a great many alienated quakers who have
committed themselves against the Boston abolition
too decidedly to retreat, are feeling a little awoken
in their hostile attitude. I will catch at Phila-
delphia as a way of closing over the breach &
keeping their popularity without making the
amen de honorables; the longer they are set aside
or compelled to recognize the principle on which
genuine antislavery is based we may be very well
contented. They are chiefly worth troubling about
from their paralyzing influence over others, &
in that light it is well to give them a door glass.
We have said & done little ^{in this line} as yet, being fearful
that awakening friends' sympathies in their
Philadelphia brethren might to a slight extent
interfere with the Boston Bazaar collection.
It would not have done so materially, but an
deficiency this year would have given us compun-
tions of conscience lest we sh^d have been the
cause of diverting supplies. The show this year do
not give unmixed satisfaction. Duntz is particularly
discontented with it. There is nothing distinguished in a
collection, as there always has been heretofore, & the
fine basket work of the Bleed papers is wanting.
But I think the things are substantial, & at least
I think there is very little trash. The most beautiful
piece of work is a little cover ^{embroidered} by Miss Horner, which
must be worth from £6 to £8. She is ^{an} very devoted
abolitionist, but esteemed her own department in one
way than we do, because it does not include much
direct head work. Her name reminds me to ask
to ascertain whether an A. B. Beyle was ever ordered
for her thro' Mr May or Mr Quincy? One of them to
whom we were writing was commissioned with the
order, & undertook to execute it. I cannot find the

extorted some money from Mrs. Moiley,
& Mr. G. W. Alexander. Mr. Maffei
preaches A. S. Sermons in her own
journeys, and frightened a fellow passenger
just landed from Philadelphia! She gave
us hosts of amusing anecdotes: the only drawback
to the pleasure of our visit was the melancholy
feeling we could not help bringing away that her
eldest daughter has traces of the disease which
has carried off five of her children already. She
is a lovely energetic girl, but appears much
like a consumptive patient. I saw Betsy & Kebley.
My Father will tell you all that can be told
about them. I hope they will not be disappointed
in the result of their visit here; but their ex-
pectations seem to have been vague, & they
are not easily satisfied. I have been unable to
see much of them, but doubt if they would
derive any pleasure from my company, as
we find but little common ground. They are
very pleasing & of course interest us deeply, & we
will do all that we can for them.

Good bye dearest Miss Weston till I can write in a
less hurried & sporadic strain. It is a great delight
to me to fancy you & Annie close together. Give
my best love to her, & regards to Mr. May & my Father.
Thanks for his letter just received. We have a
most interesting one from Mr. F. Bishop who really
seems to have passed in safety thro' his ordeal.
I trust you will see him before he leaves Boston
& Bigelow - the minister to the Pope, who began by calling
Mr. Garrison a "blood thirsty incendiary" is now edifying
the people at Leeds with Mr. R. Pillsbury's doctrine.

date of the letter, but it was early in the year
the address is 17 Pembroke Place, Clifton.
We have paid Mr Webb her subscription for
the year, which he ~~has~~ hand over in his next letter.
The 'Bugle' has never appeared however & the
is grown impatient. I will enclose ^{in the box} a few
letters from some of our pupils, for your as
as well as yourself will be interested in the
progress. There is no time to diverge from
business now. You must not attribute any
falling off in the beauty or value of the Bazaar
contributions to cooling zeal. There are many
incidental causes accounting for it, & beside
one which I sedulously conceal from A. Thom-
-ing. That I have been busily engaged in hook
together other links in different localities
which will ~~now~~ I hope prove channels for
conveying to you more than has hitherto
come thro' us, but ^{many things} of which we used to have the
credit. The Leeds people are on the alert, &
so is Manchester, & the Messrs whom we
visited before leaving London are getting up a
Clifton box. This box is to enclose Mr Foley
two medallions. The young Messrs are
full of intelligent zeal, & seem to live for the
cause. They had been soliciting contributions
from all the neighbours. D. & the doctoring